

## **NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)** IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title):

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	33 pages of Specification/Claims 1-10/Abstract are attached. Formal drawings (Figs). 1-20; 9 sheet(s) are attached. A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached. An assignment of the invention to is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00. An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and 1 reference. This application is entitled to Small Entity Status. A Preliminary Amendment is attached. Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence —This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No, filed
$\boxtimes$	Priority of foreign application No. <u>2000-010972</u> filed <u>January 19, 2000</u> in <u>Japan</u> is claimed under 35
П	U.S.C. §119. A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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BASIC FEE	1000			
TOTAL CLAIMS	10 - 20	0		
INDEP CLAIMS	2 - 3	= 0		
☑ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				

SMALL ENTITY				
RATE	FEE	<u>OR</u>		
1.124	\$ 355	<u>OR</u>		
x 9 =	\$	<u>OR</u>		
x 40 =	\$	<u>OR</u>		
+135 =	\$	<u>OR</u>		
TOTAL	\$	<u>OR</u>		

LARGE ENTITY			
RATE	FEE		
40,000	\$ 710		
x 18	\$0		
x 80	\$ 0		
+270	\$ 270		
TOTAL	\$ 980		

A check for the filing fee is not enclosed at this time.  $\boxtimes$ 

Respectfully submitted,

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